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MEMORANDUM FOR: AFIGO-5

Headquarters USAF

ATTENTION:

Colonel Lee P. Geary

SUBJECT:

Project Support Aircraft and Crews

1. Request your office coordinate as necessary to obtain the following needed Project support:

## a. Two additional F-101A's or RF-101's:

These aircraft are required to augment the currently assigned aircraft in order to keep pace with the increased chase requirements and to insure adequate mission pilot companion trainer flying. Although it is recognised that 100 percent chasing of the OXCART vehicle is and will become even more a practical impossibility, it is feasible to utilize an airborne communication monitor to extend the vehicle "coverage" after a pure chase function can no longer be maintained. The additional F-101's will materially help the project in carrying out this responsibility.

## b. One C-118 type aircraft:

- (1) This requirement has been established previously.
- (2) Request two quotas for the Air Force C-118 maintenance course conducted at Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma, at the earliest possible time.

USAF review(s) completed.

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- (3) Request arrangements be made for the C-118 Operations Section at Andrews Air Force Base to administer transition and a qualifying check out of two assigned Project pilots and two flight engineers on an ASAP basis.
- (4) Upon completion of (3) above, it is desired to utilise a project crew to select, accept and ferry the C-118's to Andrews.
- (5) At the earliest possible opportunity, it is desired to qualify and have selected project pilots and flight engineers appointed as designated flight examiners.
- 2. Additional information and/or coordination that may be required will be furnished by my Operations Staff. Chief of the Operations Staff, is designated as primary Project Officer for these matters and is available to assist you in any way possible.

FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR (SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY)

BY: ((Signed) Jack C. Ledford

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